



# BIOGRAPHY



## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT CHAD A. HOUCK

Chief Master Sergeant Chad Houck is the Command Chief Master Sergeant for the 70th Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) Wing, Fort George G. Meade, Md. In this capacity, he serves as the chief advisor to the commander and staff on matters affecting the health, morale and welfare, effective use, career progression and quality of life of 5,700 active-duty and reserve members in more than 90 AFSCs assigned to six Groups, 22 Squadrons and six Detachments at 34 global locations.

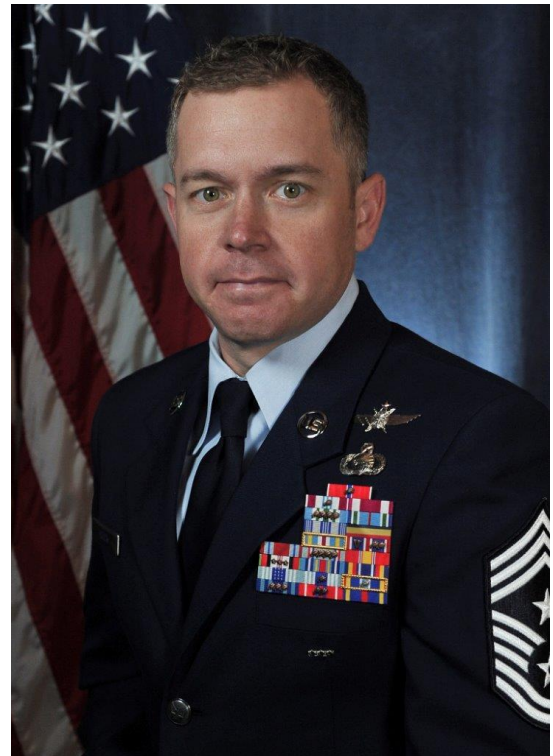
"America's Cryptologic Wing" delivers decision advantage for national-level decision makers, combatant commands, and air component operations and forces. The wing executes ISR and information assurance operations; enables air, cyber and space operations; and directs personnel development and installation support activities. The wing serves as 25th Air Force's "Lead Wing" for National-to-Tactical Integration Enterprise operations, Core Cryptologic Group operations, and ISR operations enabling cyber and space effects

Chief Master Sergeant Houck enlisted in the Air Force in July of 1999, and upon completion of Basic Military Training, he graduated from the Signals Intelligence Analysis course at Goodfellow Air Force Base. He is a career intelligence professional having served in tactical and operational environments related to signals intelligence, special operations and cyberspace operations, at the squadron, wing, joint, and National Agency levels. His assignments include Elmendorf AFB, Alaska, RAF Molesworth, United Kingdom, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland, Special Operations Command, Washington DC, and Lackland AFB, Texas. Additionally, he has had seven deployments to the CENTCOM area of responsibility supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM, providing tactical intelligence in support of Joint Special Operations Task Force combat operations.

Prior to assuming his current position, he served as the Senior Enlisted Advisor, Intelligence Directorate, HQ North American Aerospace Defense Command and United States Northern Command, Peterson AFB, CO

#### EDUCATION

1999 Signals Intelligence Analysis Course, Goodfellow AFB, Texas  
2003 Airman Leadership School, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska  
2007 Associate Degree, Communications Applications Technology, Community College of the Air Force  
2009 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Gunter Annex, Maxwell AFB, Alabama  
2010 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy Correspondence Course, Maxwell AFB, Alabama  
2011 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education Course, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, VA  
2012 Cyber 100, Air Force Institute of Technology  
2012 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Gunter Annex, Maxwell AFB, Alabama  
2014 Bachelor's Degree, Global Security and Intelligence Studies, American Military University  
2014 Senior Enlisted Intelligence Master Skills Course, Goodfellow AFB, Texas  
2016 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education II, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, VA



2016 Command Chief Master Sergeants Training Course, JBSA Randolph AFB, Texas  
2016 Continuous Process Improvement for Executives Course, University of North Carolina  
2017 Leadership Development Program, Center for Creative Leadership, Greensboro, NC

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. July 1999 - September 1999: Student, Basic Military Training School, Lackland AFB, Texas
2. September 1999 - February 2000: Student, 316th Training Squadron, Goodfellow AFB, Texas
3. February 2000 - February 2003: Technical/Watch Reporter, Intelligence Systems Analyst, Analyst Training Manager, 381st Intelligence Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
4. February 2003 - October 2005: Integrated Cryptologic Watch Officer, 485th Intelligence Squadron, Operating Location - RAF Molesworth, United Kingdom (January 2005 – July 2005: NCOIC, Cryptologic Support Group, Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan)
5. October 2005 - November 2007: Global Network Analyst, NCOIC National Security Agency Counterterrorism Branch, 22nd Intelligence Squadron, Fort Meade, Maryland (May 2007 – October 2007: NCOIC, Digital Network Intelligence, Joint Special Operations Task Force, Kabul, Afghanistan)
6. November 2007 - December 2011: Analysis and Production Superintendent, JCIE, Joint Special Operations Command, Pentagon, Washington DC (February 2008 – June 2008 & March 2009 – July 2009: NCOIC, Computer Network Operation Cell, Joint Special Operations Task Force, Kabul, Afghanistan) (March 2010 - June 2010, September 2010 – November 2010, & February 2011 – April 2011: Mission Manager, Digital Network Intelligence Operations Cell, Joint Special Operations Task Force, Kabul, Afghanistan)
7. December 2011 - July 2013: Operations Superintendent, 35th Intelligence Squadron, Lackland Air Force Base Texas
8. July 2013 - January 2015: Superintendent, 35th Intelligence Squadron, Lackland Air Force Base Texas
9. January 2015 - July 2015: Senior Enlisted Leader, National Security Agency-Texas Analysis & Production Directorate, Lackland Air Force Base Texas
10. August 2015 - April 2017: Senior Enlisted Advisor, Intelligence Directorate, HQ North American Aerospace Defense Command and United States Northern Command, Peterson AFB, CO
11. April 2017 - Present, Command Chief, 70th Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Wing, Fort George G. Meade, Md.

## **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Bronze Star with one oak leaf cluster  
Defense Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster  
Meritorious Service Medal  
Canadian Forces/NORAD Deputy Commander Commendation Medal  
Joint Service Commendation Medal with four oak leaf clusters  
Joint Service Achievement Medal  
Air Force Achievement Medal  
Combat Readiness Medal  
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal  
Afghanistan Campaign Medal with three bronze stars  
National Defense Service Medal  
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal  
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

## **OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

2003 John L. Levitow Award recipient, Airman Leadership School  
2003 NCO of the Year, NSA/CSS Europe  
2008 USSOCOM 12 Outstanding Airman of the Year  
2009 Distinguished Graduate, Noncommissioned Officer Academy  
2011 SNCO of the Year, Joint Special Operations Command  
2012 SNCO of the Quarter, Lackland AFB  
2012 Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award Senior Enlisted Nominee, 659 ISRG  
2012 Outstanding Active Duty ISR SNCO of the Year, 659 ISRG  
2012 Distinguished Graduate, Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy

## **EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROMOTION**

Chief Master Sergeant, December 1 2015

*(Current as of May 2017)*